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1. In October 1950 the Novakovo - Kerdzhali highway was opened for traffic. The width of this road is 12 meters except for places passing along the side of mountains where the width is increased to 15 or 16 meters. A number of bridges were constructed for this project; the largest, about 2.5 kilometers from Novakovo, is ten meters long and built of concrete.
2. In November of 1950 a new regiment of 1930 recruits arrived in Ardino composed of both infantry and artillery units. The guns were drawn by mules and two pairs of horses. This unit replaced 9 Infantry Regiment which was transferred early in 1950.

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